

# PERSONAL USE FISHING

## *Emergency Order*

ALASKA DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

**Emergency Order No.** 3-RS-08-12

**Issued at:** Glennallen, Tuesday, July 17, 2012

**Effective Date:** 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 23, 2012

**Expiration Date:** 11:59 p.m. August 31, 2012, unless superseded by subsequent emergency order.

### EXPLANATION:

This emergency order amends the schedule for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River for the period July 23 – July 29, 2012. The Chitina Subdistrict will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 23 until 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 29. In addition, this emergency order establishes the weekly period when a supplemental permit for 10 additional sockeye salmon will be valid for the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River.

### REGULATION:

Consistent with the COPPER RIVER PERSONAL USE DIP NET SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN, 5 AAC 77.591, the personal use dip net salmon fishery in the Chitina Subdistrict of the Upper Copper River District will be open from 12:01 a.m. Monday, July 23 through 11:59 p.m. Sunday, July 29. During this period an additional 10 sockeye salmon may be harvested by a permit holder who has already harvested their original permit limit.

Cora Campbell  
Commissioner



by delegation to: \_\_\_\_\_

Mark A. Somerville  
Area Management Biologist

### JUSTIFICATION:

During July 2 – July 8, there were 128,578 salmon counted past the Miles Lake sonar. The preseason projection for this period was 45,634 salmon, which results in a surplus of 82,944 salmon. Copper River sockeye salmon migratory timing and the previous five-year average harvest and participation rates indicate sufficient numbers of salmon available to justify 168 hours of fishing time during the week of July 23 – July 29, which is an increase of 84 hours over the preseason schedule. In addition, an excess of more than 50,000 salmon above the preseason sonar projection for this period allows a supplemental harvest of 10 additional sockeye salmon to those permit holders who have already harvested their original permit limit.

### DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region III Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 1300 College Road, Fairbanks, AK 99701, (907) 459-7357 and the Glennallen Area Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, PO Box 47, Glennallen, AK 99588, (907) 822-3309.